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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Barton <i>et al.</i>	25 March 2003
Serial No.:	09/743,209	Group Art Unit: 1652
Filed:	05 October 2001	Examiner: K.M. Kerr
For:	PROCESS FOR PREPARING CLAVAM DERIVATIVES BY USING POLYPEPTIDES HAVING BETA-LACTAM SYNTHETASE ACTIVITY	

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Official Office Action dated 19 November 2002 (Paper No. 16), (herein "Office Action"), the time for responding to which having been extended two months from 19 February 2003 to 19 April 2003, by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time and the charge of fees for a two-month extension required by this paper to Deposit Account No 19-2570 is attached. The Applicants respectfully request entry into the record of the amendment and consideration of this response. Please charge any additional requisite fees or reimburse any overcharge relating to this amendment and response to Deposit Account No. 19-2570.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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